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## DCBA AND L.A. COUNTY WORKPLACE JUSTICE COLLABORATIVE WORK IN PARTNERSHIP TO EDUCATE WORKERS ON MINIMUM WAGE

The County of Los Angeles Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (DCBA), which enforces Los Angeles County's new minimum wage, is working in partnership with the L.A. County Workplace Justice Collaborative, a collection of 12 community groups, to better educate workers and employers about the new minimum wage.

The Koreatown Immigrant Workers Alliance (KIWA) will lead the Workplace Justice Collaborative, which also includes: Bet Tzedek Legal Services; CHIRLA (Coalition of Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles); CLEAN Carwash Campaign; IDEPSCA (Instituto de Educación Popular del Sur de California); NDLON (National Day Labor Organizing Network); Pilipino Worker Center; Pomona Economic Opportunity Center; Restaurant Opportunities Center-Los Angeles; Thai Community Development Corporation; Wage Justice Center; Warehouse Worker Resource Center.

The minimum wage for businesses with 26 or more employees in the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County increased to \$10.50 an hour in July 2016. Small businesses in unincorporated Los Angeles County with 25 or fewer employees must pay a minimum wage of \$10.50 starting on July 1, 2017. Additional increases will take place on July 1 of each year until 2021.

Workers and business owners are encouraged to call DCBA at (800) 593-8222, visit <a href="https://dcba.lacounty.gov">dcba.lacounty.gov</a>, or contact any one of the Workplace Justice Collaborative member agencies with questions or concerns about the minimum wage in unincorporated Los Angeles County.

Since 1976, the County of Los Angeles Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (DCBA) has served consumers, businesses, and communities through education, advocacy, and complaint resolution. We work every day to educate consumers and small business owners about their rights and responsibilities, mediate disputes, investigate consumer fraud complaints, and enforce Los Angeles County's minimum wage ordinance. For more information, visit dcba.lacounty.gov

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